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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 6
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 2
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- b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14  
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4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)  
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accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by  
reference therein.

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)  
Sony Corporation
6. ☐ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS  
Citations
9. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
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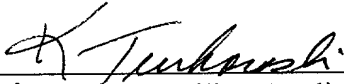
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